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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. ☒ Specification Total Pages 157
2. ☒ Drawing(s) (35USC 113) Total Pages 39
3. ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney Total Pages 4
 - a. ☒ Unexecuted(original or copy)
 - b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 14 completed)
 - i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)
Signed statement attached deleting Inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
4. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (usable if Box 3b is checked)
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

5. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & documentation)
6. ☒ Letter under 37 CFR 1.41(c).
7. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
8. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
9. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
10. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
11. ☐ Small Entity ☐ Statement filed in prior Application, Status still proper and desired
12. ☒ Certified copy of Japanese priority applications Nos. P11-322184 filed November 12, 1999, P11-322185 filed November 12, 1999, P11-322186 filed November 12, 1999, P11-322187 filed November 12, 1999 and P2000-319879 filed October 19, 2000

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Dear Sir

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c), I am filing the attached application,
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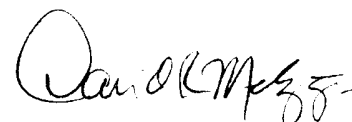
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Drawings (39 sheets - Figs. 1A-38)

Unexecuted Declaration

Letter Under Rule 37

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